

Remarks

Favorable reconsideration in view of the herewith presented amendment and remarks is respectfully requested.

Claims 43, 47, 48 and 52-54 are pending in this application. Claims 47, 48, 52 and 54 are allowed in this application. Claim 53 has been amended.

The disclosure is objected to because of some alleged informalities. A new specification with headings and not containing any new matter is enclosed.

Claim 53 is objected to because it does not depend from any particular claim. Claim 53 has been amended to depend from claim 52. This objection should now be considered moot.

Claim 53 is rejected based on 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph. The present amendment corrects this technical objection as suggested by the Examiner. Withdrawal of this rejection is requested.

Claim 43 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 3,563,183 to Rich.

Claim 43 has been amended in step (a) in the manner proposed by the Examiner. It is believed this rejection has now been overcome.

Reconsideration and withdrawal of this rejection by the Examiner is urged.

It is believed that all of the present claims are in condition for allowance. The Examiner is requested to reconsider and withdraw all of the rejections made in the Official Action. Early and favorable action by the Examiner is earnestly solicited.

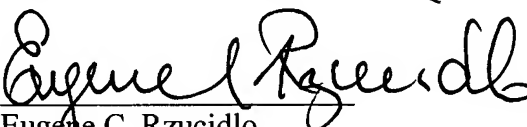
AUTHORIZATION

If the Examiner believes that issues may be resolved by telephone interview, the Examiner is respectfully urged to telephone the undersigned at (212) 801-2146. The undersigned may also be contacted by e-mail at ecr@gtlaw.com.

No additional fee is believed to be necessary. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required for this amendment, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1561.

In the event that an extension of time is required, or which may be required in addition to that requested in a petition for an extension of time, the Commissioner is requested to grant a petition for that extension of time which is required to make this response timely and is hereby authorized to charge any fee for such an extension of time or credit any overpayment for an extension of time to Deposit Account No. 50-1561.

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